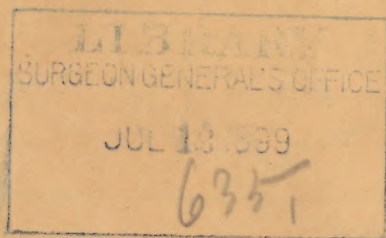


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LOUISVILLE OBSTETRICAL
SOCIETY.



CONSTITUTION

AND

BY-LAWS

OF THE

LOUISVILLE OBSTETRICAL

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OFFICERS—1870.

W. H. NEWMAN.....PRESIDENT.
J. A. OSTERLONY.....VICE-PRESIDENT.
F. C. WILSON.....REC. SECRETARY.
S. H. HORNOR.....COR. SECRETARY.
SAM'L BRANDEIS.....TREASURER.
WM. FORRESTER.....LIBRARIAN & CURATOR.

PREAMBLE.

The undersigned, desirous of advancing the study and treatment of the Diseases of Women, as well as Midwifery, and the encouragement of harmony and order, do associate themselves together with these objects, and adopt for their government the appended Constitution and By-Laws.

SAM'L BRANDEIS,
GEO. W. RONALD,
W. H. NEWMAN,
JOHN A. OCTERLONY,
JOHN GOODMAN,
Founders.

LOUISVILLE, KY., Nov. 15, 1866.

CONSTITUTION.

SEC. 1. This Association shall be known as THE LOUISVILLE OBSTETRICAL SOCIETY.

SEC. 2. The object of the Society shall be to advance the study and treatment of the Diseases of Women and Children, as well as Midwifery.

SEC. 3. A person to be eligible to membership must be a graduate of some respectable medical school. He must be of good moral character, and of good standing in the profession.

SEC. 4. Every candidate for membership must be proposed at a regular meeting, and be voted for by ballot at a succeeding meeting, three-fourths of the ballots being necessary to an election.

SEC. 5. There shall be required of Active members an initiation fee of five dollars, and each one of such members shall pay to the Recording Secretary fifty cents per month, payable at the first meeting of every month.

SEC. 6. Every Active member so elected shall pay the initiation fee and sign his name

to the Constitution within one month after his election, or forfeit his membership.

SEC. 7. The officers shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Librarian and Curator, all to be elected annually, by ballot, at the last regular meeting in November.

SEC. 8. The presence of five members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of ordinary business.

SEC. 9. The Society may suspend or expel a member for conduct unbecoming a physician or gentleman. In all such cases the charge must be made in writing by a member of the Society. The Society must then appoint a committee of not less than three members to investigate the case, and report at the next regular meeting, or as soon as practicable. To expel a member a vote of three-fourths of the members of the Society shall be required.

SEC. 10. Honorary and Corresponding members of this Society shall be elected in the same way as active members. They shall have the privileges of attending the meetings, participating in the discussions, and enjoy all the rights of Active members, except as to voting and holding office.

SEC. 11. This Constitution may be altered or amended by a vote of three-fourths of the members present. Propositions to alter or amend must lie over at least one meeting, and due notice must have been given by the Secretary.

BY-LAWS.

1. The regular meetings shall be held on Saturday evening of each week, at half-past seven o'clock.

2. The order of business at each regular meeting shall be :

I. Reading the records of the previous meeting.

II. Balloting for new members.

III. Report of committees.

IV. Unfinished, new, or irregular business, and reading the Secretary's correspondence.

V. Report of cases.

VI. Essays and observations on designated subjects, and discussion on the same. Such readings and observations on designated subjects shall be considered the special business of the regular meetings, and shall be called for by the President at nine o'clock.

3. The report of cases should, as far as possible, be made in writing.

4. The President shall preside at the meetings, and perform such duties as parliamentary usages require. At the close of his term

of office he shall make to the Society a statement of its condition and progress.

5. The Vice-President shall discharge the duties of the President during his absence, or, by request, during his presence.

6. The Recording Secretary shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the Society, which, when approved, shall be transferred to a book kept by him for the purpose. He shall receive from the members their contributions, and turn the same over to the Treasurer.

7. The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the Society.

8. It shall be the duty of the Librarian to keep the books, periodicals, and papers of the Society. He shall keep a catalogue of the same, and insure their prompt return when given out to the members.

9. The Curator shall keep and preserve the pathological specimens of the Society, and keep a catalogue of the same.

10. Any member may invite any respectable physician to attend the regular meetings.

11. When specimens or peculiar cases are reported to the Society the President may appoint a committee to examine and report on the same.

